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THE DRINKING CHURCH-MEMBER.

BY R. CAMPBELL.

I know a man who talks of faith.

And the amazing power of grace.

While whisky fumes are on his breath.

And whilst blossoms on his face.

Verdant and white to excess.

From the inspiring power of rum.

He prates of truth and holiness.

On judgment and a world to come.

He makes rough speeches, and times wears.

Visits homes—and takes a nap.

Says nectuous graces, prays—long prayers.

And gives the hand of fellowship.

Surrenders virtue to the Turk.

And rests his hopes alone on faith.

And deems his morals and good works.

An evidence of spiritual death.

And when for his offences dealt.

He answers with defiant brows:

He does no more than Noah did.

He does no more than Paul allows.

And when a bolt of vice let fly.

From the pulpit bellowed speed.

He turns a most complacent eye.

To see some sinners drop his head.

The frail, professing wight who thinks.

Both at saloon and church to thrive.

Who one day prays, the next day drinks.

Is the worst knave or fool alive.

He is a fool who even dreams.

God's spirit will a moment dwell.

With that of alcoholic streams.

That have their fiery source in hell.

Ye sons, that to the church belong.

A hind is writing on the wall.

You're in the trembling balance swing.

Point wanting, and are doomed to fall.

Or, you, false guardians of the faith.

Pastors, who war not with strong drink.

Ye're feasting at the board of death.

And with your ruined flocks will sink.

PROVERBS.

CHAPTER I.

NOW it came to pass that Carroll,

The Pharisee, who signed him-

self in the sanctum W. C. C., gathered

around him Virgil, the old-you-see,

and Elijah, the lay-er, and Wash-

ington, the hermit, and others of his tribe.

And they took counsel together and said:

It must not be that this people shall

raise a monument to Samuel of the

Sabbath.

Neither must it be that they shall

glorify Clarence and Alonzo and Zach-

ariah and Samuel, the vendor of fine

fabrics.

For they are a generation of vipers,

workers of iniquity, and desperately

bent on mischief.

And if their works find favor in the

eyes of the people we shall have to de-

part from the home of our youth.

For we cannot then lend our shekels

on good collateral nor buy more notes

at half their value.

For in the temple the people will re-

ceive the instruction of wisdom.

And Wayland and Ames and James

will give sublimity to the simple and to

the young man knowledge and discre-

tion.

For that thou lovest not knowledge,

neither hast thou thy poor neighbor at

heart, neither suffered little children to

come into thee.

But hearken now unto my words and

give ear unto my voice.

Turn at once unto Samuel and unto

the men whom thou hast called wicked.

For they have found wisdom and

have gotten unto themselves under-

standing and thereby a good name.

Happy are they who love instruction

for instruction's sake: for the merchan-

dise thereof is better than the merchan-

dise of silver or government bonds or

notes at ten per cent.

The temple for instruction is neces-

sary and the building thereof finds

favor in the sight of my people.

And they shall glorify them that thou

called wicked, and the Sanhedrin and

the council of the city shall prosper.

Verily I say unto thee a wise son

maketh a glad father but the writer of

Chronicles is a wicked perverter of

truth.

(To be continued.)

One Experience from Many.

"I had been sick and miserable so

long and had caused my husband so

much trouble and expense, no one

seemed to know what ailed me, that I

was completely disheartened and dis-

couraged. In this frame of mind I got

a bottle of Hop Bitters and used them

unknown to my family. I soon began

to improve and gained so fast that my

husband thought it strange and unnat-

ural, but when I told them what had

helped me, they said, "Hurrah for Hop

Bitters! long may they prosper, for they

have made mother well and us happy."

—The Mother.—Harris Journal.

May new-life Happenings.

December 8, 1881.

Editor Herald:

Business of a financial character is

only moderate, while that of a mat-

rimonial nature is booming. Mr. F. M.

Reynolds was united in the holy bonds

of matrimony to Miss Sallie Taylor,

both of this place, on the morning of

the 27th of last month by Rev. Wm. Brun-

ner. I anticipate for them a brilliant

future. I could announce another, as it

is on the tapis, but will desist for the

present.

I witnessed the closing sermon of a

protracted meeting which had just closed

at Panther Creek Baptist church, on

Saturday night, the 3rd. It was de-

livered by Rev. W. H. Dawson on the

subject of the Lord's Supper. He clearly

elucidated the principles contained in

his theme and practiced by his

church. His sermon was filled through-

out with that Christian zeal and enthu-

siasm which ever characterizes Bro.

Dawson as a Christian gentleman and

influential minister of Christ.

I am glad to chronicle another meet-

ing which is in progress at Mt. Etna,

this county. It is being conducted by

Rev. Mr. West, of the C. P. Church,

and Dempsey, of the M. E. Church,

South. This meeting has just begun

and bids fair for an interesting one.

Farmers have about finished gather-

ing corn. The crop is a light one in

this locality and is scarce at 80 cents

per bushel.

One Edington in this part of the